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## **EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE ORDER 2016-39**

I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, pursuant to the power and authority vested in me by Sections 1 and 2 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution hereby order the formation of the Oklahoma Occupational Licensing Task Force (Task Force).

The Task Force shall conduct a comprehensive review of occupational licensing in Oklahoma and provide recommendations to the Governor for the potential removal of license requirements that do not promote the health and/or safety of Oklahomans and are unreasonable barriers to Oklahoma workers' workforce entry.

Specifically, the Task Force shall, at a minimum:

- 1. Identify all occupational licenses (licenses) required in Oklahoma;
- 2. Identify all state agencies, boards, and commissions involved with the administration of licenses;
- 3. Determine how each license is administered, including a review of information technology platforms that are or could be utilized and the fee structure for obtaining licenses;
- 4. Review the necessity and appropriateness of training levels and other requirements required to obtain licenses; and
- 5. Evaluate whether the public health and safety goals and concerns addressed by license requirements outweigh the barriers to workforce entry they place on Oklahoma workers.

The Labor Commissioner shall serve as the Chairperson of the Task Force. The members of the Task Force shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Chairperson, and shall include: two members of the Oklahoma State Senate; two members of the Oklahoma House of Representatives; the Attorney General, or designee; the President of the Oklahoma State Chamber, or designee; one member of the Oklahoma Justice Reform Task Force; two members of organizations focused on workforce and economic development; and a member of an organization focused on poverty reduction.

The Task Force shall meet at such times and places as the Chairperson deems appropriate. Members shall serve without compensation. Administrative support for the Task Force, including personnel necessary to ensure the proper performance of its duties and responsibilities, shall be provided by the Oklahoma Department of Labor.

All Executive departments, officers, agencies and employees of this State shall cooperate with the Task Force in carrying out its duties and responsibilities, including providing any information, records and reports as may be requested by the Chairperson.

The Task Force shall prepare and submit a final report containing a detailed statement of the findings and policy recommendations of the Task Force to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives no later than December 31, 2017. This Task Force shall sunset upon issuance of the final report, unless otherwise extended by further executive order.

This Executive Order shall be distributed to the Secretary of State and Labor Commissioner.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2016.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

MARY FALLIN

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ATTEST:

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